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Applicant: Arye Malek et al.

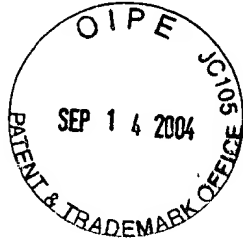
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[ ] MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED						\$0.00
TOTAL						\$0.00

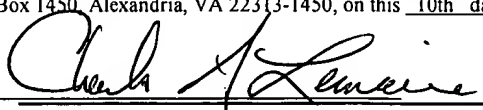
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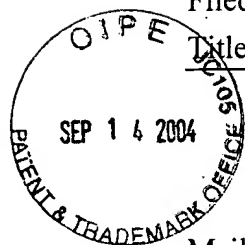
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 10, 2004, please reconsider the application as follows.

**Provisional Notice of Appeal**

If the claims are allowed upon reconsideration by the Examiner, please consider this to be a provisional Notice of Appeal, and charge any required fees to Deposit account 502931. Since this case was previously appealed and fees paid, and the Examiner has not provided any substantially new reasons for rejection since that appeal, Applicant believes that no notice-of-appeal fee or appeal-brief fee should be due.